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CLARIFICATION ON THE TREATMENT AND IMPOSITION OF APPLICABLE FEES ON SELF-DRIVEN HEAVY EQUIPMENT TRANSPORTED IN RO-RO OR NON-RO-RO VESSELS

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To avert any disagreement and to resolve conflict on the proper treatment and imposition of applicable fees on self-driven heavy equipment transported in RO-RO or non- RO-RO vessels, the following clarifications are hereby issued:

> The Roll-On/Roll-Off Transport System (RRTS) was promulgated to provide safe and efficient transportation modes to bridge islands, as well as reduce cost of inter-island transportation, enhance tourism and trade, and facilitate the food supply chain.

> It is considered the most affordable and efficient means of moving people and products (underscoring supplied).

> The vehicle types described under PPA Memorandum Circular (MC) No. 17-2003 with rates as amended by PPA Operation MC No. 10-2008 refer to “self- driven” or “self- propelled” or “pure Ro-RO” vehicles laden with people or products:

Vehicle Type

Description

Terminal Fee (Php) (VAT Inclusive)

1

Motorcycle, Tricycle, Scooter

65.00

2

Car, Minivan, SUV, AUV, Owner, Jeep, PUJ not more than 16 pax

129.00

3

Light Delivery Truck, Van, Pickup Truck, PUJ more than 16 pax

258.00

4

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Stake truck, heavy delivery truck, passenger/tourist bus,

516.00

prime mover, tractor head with or without trailer/chassis, 10-wheeler

> By definition, a “pure RO-RO” vehicles or RRTS vehicles are vehicles self-driven on their own power, and by their own driver, into or out of the RO-RO vessel without rehandling at the pier/wharf or grounding on board the vessel. These are vehicles used to transport cargoes and/or people.

> Heavy equipment such as cranes, bulldozers, graders, backhoes and the like although self-propelled and self-driven by its own driver, are not use in the general transport of cargoes and/or people.

Therefore, it is hereby clarified that self-driven heavy equipment is not considered a RO-RO vehicle, hence, shall be charged the regular cargo handling rate for such commodity.

For compliance.

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